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Regan Goldfarb Heller Wetzler & Quinn  
445 Park Avenue  
New York, N.Y. 10022  
Atten: William M. Regan

Dear Mr. Regan,

Regarding letter dated November 22, 1976, please see enclosed.

Thank you,

Photogs Inc.

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# New World

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and film rentals of \$15,200,000. Rehme  
said New World president  
Corman is starting a TV syndica-  
on branch in his L.A. headquarters in  
the 61 feature films for net-  
work, independent, pay cable and  
telescope or 16mm sales to hospitals,  
university buildings, airlines, etc.  
We've been offered about \$12 mil-  
lion for the film package in prelimi-  
nary negotiations with the networks,"  
Corman asserted. "But we're shopping  
around and may diversify syndication  
to network, independent or pay  
to get the most money for our

\$6 million profit is an increase  
over the \$3.4 million New  
World made in the 74-75 fiscal year.  
he sales chief said Corman will  
get "Avalanche," his highest bud-  
geted film, at \$1.2 million, starting  
in December.  
We're also beginning production  
a higher artistic quality. "I Never  
Kissed You a Rose Garden,"  
costs at more than \$1 million, in  
October," Rehme promised.  
Corman has been very successful  
in youth-oriented exploitation film  
U.S. distribution of

## Press Guild Meets To Defend Schorr

Washington — The Newspaper Guild  
will hold a press conference this after-  
noon in the Rayburn House office  
building to defend former CBS Corres-  
pondent Dan Schorr.

Expected to attend the conference  
are CBS Correspondent Dan Rather;  
James Naughton, of the New York  
Times; Sen. Alan Cranston (D-Calif.);  
Jack Nelson, Los Angeles Times bureau  
chief in Washington; Sanford Wolff,  
national secretary of AFTRA; Lanny Lar-  
son, of the Fresno Bee; Rep. Don Frazer  
(D-Minn.), and John M. Heinz, (R-Pa.).

## Pompador Resigns As ABC Executive

I. Martin Pompador, vp and assistant  
to the president, American Broad-  
casting Companies Inc., resigned Monday  
for personal reasons.

Chairman Leonard H. Goldenson and  
president Elton H. Rule made the an-  
nouncement.

According to the  
Pompador, also

## 'Exorcist,' 'Music' Toe To Toe at 3rd Slot

There was some confusion yes-  
terday as to whether Warner Bros.  
"The Exorcist" had surpassed 20th  
Century-Fox's "The Sound of Music"  
to grab third place on the list of  
all-time top-grossing films.

WB released a total domestic bil-  
ling tally for "The Exorcist" of  
\$78,512,000, surpassing, it said, the  
"Sound of Music's" total of \$78,400,-  
000. WB, however, was using an un-  
authorized, independent index as  
the source for the gross of "Music."

Fox places the film's domestic  
boxoffice at \$78,520,000, still slight-  
ly ahead of "The Exorcist."

## Vidal's Ire Is Aimed At Director Brass, Guccione Declares

New York — Bob Guccione chair-  
man of Penthouse Films International  
yesterday took issue with the con-  
tention of Gore Vidal that the picture  
bearing his name "Gore Vidal's Cal-  
ligula" will turn out to be a "turkey."  
The author made the disparaging re-  
mark about the Penthouse Production  
in an appearance on the Johnny Car-  
son "Tonight" show.

At a press conference at the Pen-  
thouse offices here Guccione was  
unable to offer a clear explanation of  
why Vidal should downgrade the pic-  
ture, especially since he has not ver-  
seen a "single minute" of it and there  
was said to be no deviation from his  
screenplay in the filming.

## ... SEG-AMTP

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was learned yesterday from an in-  
formed source that the AMPTP offer in-  
cluded a daily pay scale in the  
for SEG members.

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## ... Editor Banned by Sinatra

Stardom, New — Frank Sinatra has  
banned representatives of the Reno  
Evening Gazette and Nevada State  
Journal from attending his perform-  
ance at the Flamingo because of a story written about  
him.

Sinatra told casino officials that he  
would refuse to perform if anyone from  
the two daily newspapers was in the  
audience.

Mark Curtis, public relations director  
of Flamingo, said he intercepted  
publisher Ron Einstoss and entertain-  
ment editor Guy Richardson at the  
door Friday night and told them of the  
entertainer's ultimatum.

Curtis said Sinatra "reacted at  
the time to what he considers a  
continual review of age-old stories  
about him. His point was that this  
happens every time he comes here."

## ... IA Negotiations

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limited negotiating committee from  
both sides because the Film &  
Studio Prominentists Local 165 said he  
wasn't invited to the negotiations. The  
prominentists play an important part in  
videotape and would normally be in-  
cluded in such negotiations.

IA business agents understood to be

... goes for 10-  
... and spots on TV, with  
... and radio, respectively  
... the next highest advertising  
...  
... World's record revenue  
... came from its all-time grosser "Est-  
... with boxoffice of \$12 mil-  
... film rentals of \$4 million. This  
... followed by "Jackson County Jail,"  
... aching \$3 million in film rentals  
... a gross of about \$9 million.  
... World released nine films in the  
... completed fiscal year, including  
... Story of Adele H., "Romantic  
... Girl," "The Lost Honor of  
... Blum" and "Hollywood  
... yard."  
... high releases this fall include an  
... release of Francois Tru-  
... booking of New York's  
... "Small Change" at New York's  
... ma Two. Jeanne Moreau es-  
... and another Cocteau es-  
... e run in December for Decem-  
... awa's "Dersu Uzala" in Decem-  
... which also was shown at the L.A.  
... festival.  
... Gianni Filati

## Universal Victorious In 'King Kong' Battle

A federal judge has ruled that the  
story of "King Kong," the 1932 RKO  
film classic, has fallen into the public  
domain and out of the legal grasp of  
RKO.

U.S. District Judge Manuel Real's  
decision was made in favor of Universal  
Studios, which hopes to film "The  
Decision of King Kong" should Dino De  
Laurentis' film prove successful.

RKO, Real determined, mistakenly  
allowed the novel by DeLo Lovelace to  
be copyrighted before the movie, so  
Universal had the right to base its film  
off the book.

... per-  
... has asked for  
... SEG members in scenes be-  
... fore going to waiver people. There was  
... also earlier talk about giving a \$40-a-  
... day rate to crowd scenes of 50-750 in  
... features, and 25-75 in TV.

The SEG and AMPTP are not work-  
ing without a contract, since the de-  
bate on the extension expires in 10  
days, and no formal extension has  
been made.

## ... WGA

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increases before. For example, if a writer  
earlier, if a contract is signed for a 30-  
pay hike over a 10-year period, the  
actual pay increases would be about  
15% because the cost of living rose so  
sharply.

Also in the new demands when a  
writer sells a script he retains all rights  
except those specifically purchased by  
a production company, particularly in  
the TV area. How a writer gets credit for  
what he does is another part of the  
negotiating committee's concern.

A WGA spokesman said yester-  
day that the next step is another  
meeting by the negotiating committee  
to put their proposals in "legal" terms,  
and then to present the package to  
management, probably before the end  
of the month.

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